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## TEXAS TOWN IS IN ARMS TO REPEL BAND

### FINAL ACTION ON NAVAL BILL IS TAKEN IN SENATE

WASHINGTON, May 27. (By Associated Press)—Final action on disarmament question and against beginning a new Pacific coast naval base was taken today in the senate, but other amendments to the \$495,000,000 naval appropriation bill were not disposed of when adjournment was taken until next Tuesday, over the memorial day holiday.

Disarmament proposals caused a brisk clash today over amendments of Senators Pomeroy, Ohio, and Walsh, Montana, democrats. With the Borah amendment "authorizing and requesting" the president to call a three-power conference to discuss disarmament already in the bill, Senator Pomeroy offered a supplementary amendment. It would have authorized the president to suspend American naval construction for six months "in order to arrange" the conference and if a disarmament agreement should be reached to suspend construction, in part or in whole. The proposal was beaten twice, once on a point of order sustained by Vice President Coolidge and again by a record vote of 29 to 37 for suspension of the rules to make it in order. Even a livelier tilt, in which the league of nations controversy was fought again,

### CONGRESS IS PROGRESSING WITH TARIFF

FINANCE COMMITTEE HEARING ON TAX REVISION; FINISH FIRST STAGE

### PLEA FOR RETENTION

COMPETITION NO EFFECT ON SALES TAX, SAYS PROF. SELIGMAN

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, May 27.—Distinct progress was made in congress today in the matter of tax and tariff legislation.

The senate finance committee, which began its tax revision work today, completed the first stage of the new tax bill, while the house ways and means committee began final redraft of the permanent tariff bill preparatory to its introduction in the house. Chairman Podney said he hoped to have the tariff measure in the house by June 10 and that his committee could then begin consideration of taxation.

The senate finance committee which began its tax hearing May 9, had under consideration first the Smoot sale tax bill but although early sentiment appeared to favor it, leaders said today it would probably be opposed strongly in both house and senate. The excess profits tax, it was said, probably will be repeated as suggested by Secretary Mellon. Although the senate committee expected its removal of its defense before the committee by several tax experts was said by some members to have made friends for it. Several senators said its defense today by Prof. Edwin A. Seligman of Columbia University, had deeply impressed them.

Mr. Seligman made a plea for its retention as against adoption of a sales tax. The former, he contended, was a tax on surplus and one of the few kinds of taxes which, in normal times, must be absorbed by manufacturers and not passed on. Competition had no effect on the sales tax, he said, adding that it could inevitably be shifted to the consumer and therefore become practically an income tax turned upside down.

### AMERICAN ACE RESUMES TRIP TO WASHINGTON

EDDIE RICKENBACKER TO TRAVEL ON TO CAPITOL IN ARMY MAIL PLANE

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, May 27.—Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, American flying ace, arrived in Chicago at 5:28 p. m., central standard time, today in his flight across the continent from San Diego to Washington, D. C.

Having covered 3,000 miles with 200 remaining, he spent the night in Chicago in the expectation that he would receive authorization from Washington to continue his flight at daybreak in an army plane.

Battling almost unsurmountable obstacles in his race against time he reached Chicago as a passenger in a mail plane, his own craft having been disabled making a landing at Cheyenne, Wyo., last night. This was his second attempt of the trip, the first having occurred when his plane tore its propeller off in landing at Los Angeles. In addition he was held up at Redwood, Calif., by a heavy fog which made flying temporarily impossible.

Since leaving San Diego last Monday in a 400-horsepower army airplane he has been in the air about 26 hours. Despite his two accidents and his long battle against mountain air pockets and fog, Captain Rickenbacker was determined to continue at daybreak if permission to use an army plane was obtained. He expected to reach Washington in about eight hours more flying.

### OIL MAN IS FOUND DEAD AT HIS HOME OKLAHOMA TOWN

By Associated Press. CHICKASHA, Okla., May 27.—Dr. Hargrave, 68, owner of several valuable oil leases south of Chickasha was found dead at his principal lease tonight by county officials who are holding three men, Crockett English, Bob Robinson and Ed Helzer, until after a coroner's inquest to be held tomorrow.

Warm Laws Debated. By Associated Press. AUSTIN, Texas, May 27.—Legislation looking toward the strengthening of the pink bell worn laws of Texas will be submitted to the legislature at the special session in July, it was announced

### New "Baby" In Congress



Representative H. Carroll Reese, member of the House of Representatives from Tennessee is the youngest man in the House, succeeding in this honor Clarence J. McLeod, of Detroit. Congressman Reese served as a first lieutenant in France with the 160th Infantry.

### FINANCIAL HEADS CONFER WITH THE PRESIDENT FRIDAY

PROBABLY HAVE GROUP FROM MIDDLE WEST IN NEXT CONFERENCE

### REMOVE RESTRICTION

BANKERS ADVISE REMOVAL RESTRICTIVE MEASURES ON CREDITS

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, May 27.—A group of bankers and financiers from every section of the country are to be consulted by President Harding before he concludes the series of financial conferences begun Wednesday night at a White House dinner when the eastern banking interests were chiefly represented. No appointment for further conferences have yet been made but it is probably that a group of financial leaders from the middle west will be the next to be summoned by the president.

It was indicated in administration circles that so far as sentiment has been canvassed the financial men are virtually unanimous in believing that the federal reserve board holds the key to the proper readjustment of general financial conditions. Those consulted are understood to have told the president that in their opinion the board could go a long way toward restoration of normal conditions by exerting its influence to keep loans at a reasonable rate and on a sound basis.

Removal of restrictive measures "based on the board on credit extension under the federal reserve act, was said to have been advocated by the bankers as a means of solving the problem facing the farmers of the country.

Progressive reduction rates, which he heard still continued in St. Louis and Kansas City districts, it was concluded, work a hardship on the agricultural interests by banks which are charged more for money merely pass the increased cost along to the borrowers.

The reserve banks charge member banks up to a minimum of seven per cent in St. Louis and twelve per cent in Kansas City for loans in excess of the base line figure fixed by the board, the rates progressing one half per cent on each 25 per cent of loans in excess of the base.

Legislation to permit longer credits to farmers through extension of the limits fixed by the reserve act on agricultural papers eligible for discount at reserve banks was said to have been favored.

The opinion was expressed that restoration of eligible agricultural paper to six months was too early a maturity in the case of many farmers. Extension of the existing limits, it was maintained, would enable the member banks to extend correspondingly longer terms to the farmer.

A phase of the export problem which is understood, was discussed was the question of a possible guarantee of the stability to the governments of countries into which American goods might be shipped. The bankers were said to have been disposed to the view that under the Edge act corporations for financing exports might have more support and the operations of the war finance corporation be given a wider field of means could be devised by which the exporter could be insured against the loss of his commodities through change of government in the country in which they were to be marketed.

### SEAMEN REACH AGREEMENT IN WAGE QUESTION

TERMS DRAWN UP AND APPROVED LABOR BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

### RATIFICATION TODAY

TERMS ARE MADE EFFECTIVE FOR PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM DATE

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, May 27.—An agreement on wages and working conditions reached tonight between representatives of the Marine Engineers Beneficial association and Chairman Benson of the shipping board in the controversy which has threatened a tie up of American shipping. The terms will be submitted to the various local unions Saturday for ratification.

The agreement was reached at a conference with Secretary Davis after Chairman Benson had discussed the situation with President Harding several hours. If the terms are accepted by the locals the agreement will be signed to remain effective for one year.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The action was taken regardless of the decision of the American ship owners association which was communicated to Secretary Davis today, to refrain from entering into any agreement with the men. The shipping board, however, it was pointed out, operates four-sevenths of all American ships.

Secretary Davis left for New York immediately after the conference to attend the home personal affairs, but it is understood will see representatives of the ship owners there.

The terms of the tentative agreement were not made public, but in general they are understood to follow the lines previously laid down providing for a 15 per cent wage reduction and making some changes in overtime rules and working conditions.

### CALIFORNIA GETS GOOD SHOWING IN EASTERN SCHOOLS

By Associated Press. CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 27.—In a qualifying contest covering the widest range of colleges in many years, nineteen institutions today placed athletes in the preliminaries of the forty-fifth annual championship games of the inter-collegiate athletic association held in Harvard stadium.

Outstanding in the bitter track and field duel for places were the remarkable performances of University of California and Lehigh Stanford, Jr. The Pacific Coast group of eighteen starters, fourteen of whom bore the colors of California and four of Stanford, qualified seventeen men out of a total of ninety-two advanced in the events of the program.

Harvard scored first place with 11, California and Pennsylvania State 8; Cornell, Stanford and Princeton 7 each; Dartmouth 5; Lehigh, Rutgers and Syracuse 3 each; Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Columbia, 2 each, and Bowdoin, Brown, Holy Cross, Pittsburgh and Williams 1 each.

### REDUCTION OF GAS PRICES ARE ANNOUNCED HERE

FIVE LOCAL OIL COMPANIES ANNOUNCE A THREE-CENT CUT IN GASOLINE

The Magnolia Petroleum Company, the Reeves & Allen Refining Company, Andrews-McDonald Company, Gulf Refining Company, Pierce Oil Corporation all announced a three-cent reduction in the price of gasoline Friday.

Both gasoline and kerosene were retailing at 21 cents Friday. Lack of export demand is given as the cause for the drop in the local market price.

### SMALL GIRL KILLED BY A PASSING AUTO

By Associated Press. WICHITA FALLS, Texas, May 27.—Vera Morris, two year old daughter of Mrs. Mary Morris, was killed instantly here early tonight while en route to a nearby grocery store for her mother when she was run down by an automobile driven by a young woman. The

### ARMED FORCE WILL FIGHT INVADERS NEARING CITY

BEAUMONT, Texas, May 27. (By Associated Press)—The city of Sour Lake is virtually an armed camp tonight because of a report received last night that a band of hooded men was on route from Liberty, Texas, to get revenge because of the tarring and feathering of Justice of the Peace Joe J. Devere, of Sour Lake, last Saturday night. Devere was formerly a citizen of Liberty, where his parents and other relatives reside. Following his rough treatment Devere went to Liberty and returned to Sour Lake Wednesday where he opened his office as a public official. Sour Lake and Liberty are both towns of about 2000 population, about 20 miles apart.

Following the news reaching Sour Lake that the Liberty Klan was en route, Sheriff W. L. Nelson was notified at Kountze, the county seat, and he hurried to Sour Lake where he swore in fifty deputies and these men, armed to the teeth, waited throughout the night on all highways for the expected attack, there being no further developments from Liberty, most of the men went home for sleep but are keeping their weapons close at hand and will be ready for action if summoned. It has been a tense week at Sour Lake. Following the tarring incident on Saturday and rumors that violators were being organized to combat the band which is said to be responsible for punishing Devere, a shooting took place Thursday in which P. H. Dickson, a confederate, was killed by W. M. Mills, an engineer, on the main business street there. The tragedy caused intense excitement there, it was believed at the time it had some connection with the Klan's activities, but this proved not to be the case.

### WOMEN ARE HELD WITHOUT BAIL FOR JURIST'S MURDER

BOTH CHARGED WITH MURDER AFTER PRELIMINARY HEARING

By Associated Press. TULSA, Okla., May 27.—Miss Goldie Gordon and Mrs. Jesse James, both nurses, were held without bond for trial on charges of murder in connection with the death here May 11 of Judge Devereaux, noted jurist, at the conclusion of their preliminary hearing before Justice J. H. Gray here tonight.

### TAKE FIRST STEPS TOWARD RECOGNIZING MEXICAN GOVERNMENT

SUMERLIN TO CONFER WITH PRESIDENT OREGON ON SUBJECT

By Associated Press. MEXICO CITY, May 27.—Through an arrangement made by the Mexican foreign office, George T. Sumerlin, American charge d'affaires in Mexico City, will meet President Oregon tomorrow towards the matter concerning recognition of Mexico by the United States which it is understood he brought to Mexico City this morning.

The memorandum, it is learned from an authoritative source, is in no sense an ultimatum calling for the signing of a treaty or protocol, but a mere suggestion from the United States department of state of the basis upon which recognition might be extended. It is declared there is nothing in it to offend the susceptibilities of the Mexican people and that it does not embody the terms laid down by the Pull subcommittee.

Secretary of State Hughes and Under Secretary of State Henry P. Fletcher, it was said during the memorandum after conferences lasting more than a month.

### MEMORIAL DAY STORE HOURS ARE CHANGED

Decision to open stores only from 9 a. m. to 12 noon Memorial Day, was reached at a joint meeting this morning of the Amarillo Business Men's Association and the executive committee of Hanson Post, American Legion. Following the meeting the following statement was issued:

"The directors of the Amarillo Business Men's Association in joint meeting with the executive committee of the American Legion held today, May 27, agreed that closing of business houses from 9 to 12 a. m. on Decoration Day, May 30, is ample to enable everyone to participate in the parade and to attend the Memorial Exercises, and, therefore, the Business Men's Association passed a resolution requesting all merchants to close their places of business at least from 9 to 12 a. m. on Decoration Day."

"There is nothing but the best of feeling between the Legion and the Business Men's Association, and each has found the other perfectly willing and anxious to cooperate with the other. The misunderstanding which prompted the Legion executive committee to put their article in the papers should never

### ONE KILLED TWO INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT FRIDAY

TEXAS WOMEN ARE KILLED AND INJURED IN OKLAHOMA TOWN

By Associated Press. GRANDFIELD, Okla., May 27.—Mrs. May Brown was killed instantly and Miss Anna Brooks and Miss Thomas Wright, seriously injured when a motor car driven by Miss Emma Patterson, turned over near Grandfield late today, plunging the women, all of Burkburnett, Texas, beneath. They were driving to visit friends in Grandfield, according to Miss Patterson. The seriously injured were taken to a hospital in Grandfield and it was there that their injuries might prove fatal. Miss Brooks sustained a fractured skull and internal injuries, and Miss Wright a punctured lung. Miss Patterson, who was cut and bruised about the face, said in attempting to avoid another automobile, the car was stopped short and overflung.

### EXILED PERUVIANS PASS COSTA RICA ON WAY TO HOMES

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Arrival in Costa Rica of Oscar R. Benavides, former president of Peru, with twenty other Peruvians, all of whom had been deported to Australia as revolutionaries, was reported today in state department advices from Central America. The ship on which they sailed from Peru, the advices said, received orders at sea to put into a Central American port. No explanation was given of the change in destination but it was believed here that Benavides and his followers would be permitted to remain in Costa Rica.

### LONGSHOREMEN CHOOSE MOBILE FOR NEXT MEET

By Associated Press. GALVESTON, May 27.—Mobile was selected as next year's meeting place of the South Atlantic and Gulf District of the International Longshoremen's Association, which closed its eleventh annual convention here today. J. H. Eriks, of Galveston was elected president; Albert Workman, New Orleans, vice president and M. J. Gahagan, Galveston, secretary-treasurer.

### WEATHER

WEST TEXAS: Saturday, partly cloudy, becoming unsettled in north portion, thunder showers in Panhandle by night; Sunday, cloudy in south, thunder showers and cooler in north portion.

U. S. Department of Agriculture. Weather Bureau.

Temperature by 89ths at Amarillo yesterday:

6 a. m.	60	11 a. m.	62
7 a. m.	65	Noon	66
8 a. m.	70	1 p. m.	68
9 a. m.	74	2 p. m.	70
10 a. m.	79	3 p. m.	70
11 a. m.	79	4 p. m.	70

Highest yesterday, 80. Lowest yesterday, 57.

Humidity Data.

8 p. m.	60	Noon	60
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### JAPS REVISE TARIFF LAWS SAYS ADVICES

NEW CUSTOMS GO INTO EFFECT JUNE 1; IMPORTS ARE REDUCED

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, May 27.—A revised customs tariff and a new revised import tariff schedule will be put into effect June 1, by the Japanese government, said advices received here today by Consul General Junsaki from the Tokyo foreign office. This law was revised at the session of the Japanese Diet this spring.

By reducing imports, it was explained, Japan could more readily build up her trade balance and with it exchange quotations with other countries.

A general increase in the Japanese tariff, officials said, would have but little effect on trade with the United States.

Although official advices had not been received here tonight that the new Japanese tariff would become effective June 1, the step had been expected for some time.

Revision of the Japanese tariff was probably effective, it was said at the commerce department, because of the desire to restrict imports as a means of stabilizing exchange.

### Reinforcements to Ireland.

By Associated Press. LONDON, May 27.—The cabinet has decided to send large reinforcements to Ireland and it is rumored that new measures are to be adopted against the republican forces in the south and west according to an announcement by the London Times.

### Man 101 Dies.

PONTIAC, Ill., May 27.—Luke Jordan, 101 years old, and believed to have been the oldest member of the Knights of Columbus in the United States, died here today. Mr. Jordan was born in Ireland.

### RECRUITING FOR FIRST CAVALRY TROOPS BEGINS IN FORT WORTH; PERSONNEL HAS TO BE CHANGED

FORT WORTH, May 27.—Headquarters detachment and Troops A and B of the new machine gun squadron of the First Cavalry, Texas National Guard, whose headquarters is in Fort Worth, today began "recruit week," as a part of the national guard's reorganization program.

Numerous changes in both the commissioned and enlisted personnel have been necessary in the First Cavalry, according to Colonel Lloyd E. Hill, the commanding officer. The new cavalry will contain squadron headquarters, consisting of two first lieutenants and one second lieutenant, to be adjutant supply officers and intelligence, plans and training officers. It is an outgrowth of experience in the world war, which demonstrated the advisability of providing squadron or battalion headquarters with all the necessary personnel for administrative and liaison purposes and so obviating the necessity of detaching these men from the several troops or companies, Colonel Hill said.

The organization of the infantry regiments of the 26th Division "is going steadily forward," Adjutant General Barton, whose headquarters is at Austin, has announced. The ground work has been laid for two artillery units which give promise of early completion, he said, although special attention will not be given to the organization of artillery until the infantry component of the division has been completed.

### SECOND ARREST FOR VIOLATION OPEN PORT BILL

UNION SEAMEN ARE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY FOLLOWING ALLEGED ASSAULT

By Associated Press. BEAUMONT, May 27.—The first arrest to take place in Beaumont and the second in the state for violation of the "Open Port" bill was recorded here today when eight men, said to be striking seamen, were taken into custody for an alleged assault on non-union seamen employed on the steamer Moschelle, in port here. The measure was enacted by the legislature following a tie-up of shipping at Galveston several months ago.

### STATE PRISON SYSTEM SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION

Governor NEFF AND J. A. HERRING ARE IN CONSULTATION

By Associated Press. AUSTIN, May 27.—At a conference today between Governor Neff and J. A. Herring, chairman of the prison commission, it is believed that a matter of considerable importance concerning the state penitentiary system was discussed. Mr. Herring came to Austin from Huntsville by hurriedly automobile and immediately went into conference with the governor.

The Dead Sea will be a solid mass of salt in 500 years, say geologists.